2913.8 MW, received from the State/ Project Authorities, were under consideration of the CEA for techno-economic clearance.

(b) and (c) Clearance of power projects is a continous process. The techno-economic clearance to the power projects proposals is accorded by the CEA after all the necessary clearance/inputs, fuel linkages and financial package has been tied up by the State/project authorities. Out of the above said 12 projects, upto October, 1997, five projects have been cleared by CEA and other 3 have been returned to the project proponents for further clarification/tying up of remaining inputs.

Private Sector Power Projects in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra

1057. SHRI CHIMANBHAI HARIBHAI SHUKLA: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the details of power projects identified in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra in the private sector to be installed with or without foreign aid in the current and next five years;

(b) whether it is a fact that inspite of clearance of various power projects by the CEA, States could not execute the projects;

(c) whether Government have identified further such projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) The details of private sector power projects in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra which have been granted techno-economic clearance by CEA, are mentioned in the Statement of the projects in Gujarat, Hazira Combined Cycle Gas Turbine (CCGT) of 515 MW and Baroda CCGT (167 MW) have already been fully commissioned. The Paguthan CCGT (167 MW) have already been fully commissioned. The Paguthan CCGT and Surat Lignite TPP are presently under construction. Paguthan CCGT has already been partly commissioned (140 MW). Surat Lignite TPP and remaining units of the Paguthan CCGT are expected to be commissioned in 1998-99.

The projects in Madhya Pradesh and Bhadravati TPP in Maharashtra, have not achieved financial closure. In financial closure and is expected to be commissioned in 1998-99. The schedule of commissioning of the remaining projects of Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh would depend on the time by when these projects achieve financial closure.

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Private Sector Power Projects in Gujarat, Madhya Pradesh and Maharashtra

Sl. No.	Project	Capacity (MW)
GUJARAT		
1.	SURAT lignite-based TPP, M/s GIPCL	250
2.	PAGUTHAN CCGT, M/s GTECL	654.7
3.	HAZIRA CCGT, M/s Essar Power Ltd.	515
4.	BARODA CCGT, M/s GIPCL, Baroda	167
MADHYA PRADESH		
5.	SRI MAHESHWAR HEP, M/s Shree Maheshwar Hydel Power Corpn. Ltd.	400
6.	NARSINGHPUR CCGT, M/s GBL Power India Ltd.	166
7.	BINA TPP, M/s Bina Power Supply Co. Ltd.	578
8.	KORBA (W) TPP, M/s India Thermal Power Ltd.	420

Sl. No.	Project	Capacity (MW)
9.	PENCH TPP, M/s Pench Power Ltd.	500
10.	GUNA CCGT, M/s STI Power India Ltd.	347.25
11.	BHILAI TPP, M/s Bhilai Power Supply Co. Ltd.	574
12.	RAIGARH TPP, M/s Jindal Power Ltd.	2×275
13.	KORBA (EAST) M/s Daewoo Power India Ltd. TEC	1070
MAHARASHTRA		
14.	BHADRAVATI TPP, M/s Central India Power Co. Ltd.	1072
15.	DABHOL CCGT, M/s Dabhol Power Co.	2015

Renegotiation of Dulhasti Hydro-Electric Power Project

1058. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Comptroller and Auditor General has detected massive irregularities in the renegotiation of Dulhasti Hydro-electric Power Project contract with the French Consortium, Cecleg;

(b) if so, the steps taken to bring to book the officials responsible therefor; and

(c) the corrective steps taken in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) As per the report of the Comptroller and Auditor General on Dulhasti Hydro-electric Project regarding the contract entered into with French Consortium in 1989, there has been financial losses to National Hydro-electric Power Corporation (NHPC) on acount of permitting the civil contractor viz. M/s DSB to rescind the contract after the contractor suspended the work due to the alleged disturbance on law and order situation in the valley.

(b) Responsibility has not been fixed on any official as the Corporation signed a rescission agreement which was ratified by the Government of India and Government of France to enable resumption of construction activities which were suspended in August 1992 by the French civil contractor.

Policy for increasing investment in Power Sector

1059. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have taken series of measures to kickstart their medium term growth plan and taken bold initiatives for increasing investments, both in thermal and hydel sector, and encouraging captive coal mines, apart from bilateral international cooperation with friendly countries for setting up "showcase power projects";

(b) if so, the details thereof and results achieved, so far;

(c) what are the most outstanding achievements on power front during the past one year and areas requiring drastic change/restructuring; and

(d) the details of action programme II phase of policy reforms in power sector for the current year?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AND THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (d) The target for the 9th Plan has not been finalised. However, in preparation of the achievement of much higher capacities in the Ninth Plan, some of the important measures taken by the Government are:

(i) NTPC is proposing to add 6270 MW of new capacity during the